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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 11, last two lines, delete "when in a battery cell and to promote a smooth surface finish when in an electroplating cell."